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## LOUISVILLE.

SATURDAY, APRIL 14, 1855.

**THE NORTWEST PASSAGE—DISCOVERY BY**

**MICHAEL.—THE ANCIENT VOYAGES OF**

**THE CHINESE.—The people of Europe**

**that around the Cape of Good Hope induced**

**adventurers at an early day to seek a passage**

**by sailing westwardly. Even Colum-**

**bus, who predicted the existence of a Western**

**sphere, had no idea of the Eastern one, regard-**

**ed the latter as a mere legend.**

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**Brownson's road are, we think, in the right**

**spirit. We understand that a scheme is agita-**

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**and to stipulate for a voice in the manage-**

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**one on which visitors will be allowed to pass**

**the gates. Imperfect as was the condition**

**of the fair ground, we are informed on good**

**authority, that to avoid the charge of being**

**too much like a mere legend,**

**the hardy and adventurous Doctor may be re-**

**ferred to his friends and home, and that in future**

**we will keep away from that worthless waste**

**of ice on the Northwest ocean.**

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